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My dear Father,

This is washing week with me, as you will suppose, and we are in hot water, though nothing more than common; but till we can get a few sheets of good paper printed off beforehand we must expect the last week to be a hurried one, and ever then that week will always bring with it sufficient Evil for the Day thereof. — I have still 4 sheets to make up, but the 2 end ones are not particularly in my department — they require however my personal — For the two before them I have materials enough, but one gentleman has begun a long article and we have included it in our present No. This City comes in so very slow that I cannot complete anything more for want of it. — That article will be found a very curious one — it is on Opium-eating. — What singular men the literary world abounds with! I sometimes don't rather my opinion: I need be in his shoes.



On the whole I think the next No will be a very good  
 & an interesting one, though not better certainly than the  
 last, which a friend from Dorchester, a Quaker who is  
 a writer in the New Monthly, writes at word, is not only  
 the best of all the "Londons", but superior to any other No of  
 any other Magazine - Indeed, for all quarters it is con-  
 sidered.

Tell my dear Sister Bet if she is returned  
 home yet, that I fully expected hearing from her, &  
 was much pleased to find that she remembered me  
 that but I found it impossible to write to her in time -  
 She will be glad to hear that I have finished *Clara's*  
*Life*, besides writing an article on *Spenser*, & another  
 on the *Queen's Funeral*. The latter will be inserted if  
 Phillips gives us anything good in his "Foreign &  
 Domestic Department".

Our friend Dr Doring has quite had no leisure  
 to his family - and whether that stimulates him or  
 not to greater industry I know not, but he came to  
 me yesterday to announce a work of his on the



Liver:- I asked him whether he thought you were  
likely to get the powder good at Rotherham which he  
recommended, & as he feared not I requested him to  
send me some & I would enclose them in the Parcel -  
This I told him I did always do without any difficulty

Iron Delvint has at length taken a Dwelling in  
the County of Kent about 7 miles from Canterbury &  
9 from the Coast - Hoxington, I think is the name. It  
is a small Pracker at present, not more than 2000  
a year, but his Rent & Taxes are not more than 20£.  
and he can live very cheap - I have not doubt he  
will make it answer - He set off this morning

Remember me most affectionately to my dear  
Mother, Sisters, Cousin Mary, & Hal. - I saw Mrs  
Dudman & Mrs Wright yesterday - they are well & happy  
to be most kindly remembered to you all - I am going  
to dine there off a March of Venison on Friday -

My dear Father I am ever

Your most affectionate Son

John Taylor



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